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Dear Mr Smith

Unsubstantiated Allegations/Defamatory Statements

I refer to your email of 21 March 2021 addressed to Lauren Wallace and copied to Sandra Hopkins of the New Plymouth District Court. It contains within it not only inaccurate statements and unsubstantiated allegations but also a number of statements of a personal and professional nature which defame this firm and in particular Ms Wallace. Your allegations and accusations are wholly denied.

If you, your company or any related parties believe you have been wronged in respect of any matters that have been brought before the Court, then we would strongly recommend that you seek legal advice as to your rights and the legal remedies that are available to you.

However, we will not tolerate bullying tactics, threats or blackmail. Any actions or statements which are designed to bring the reputation of this firm and its partners into disrepute are treated seriously.

We formally request you cease and desist any further publication of defamatory and inaccurate statements against our firm, or Ms Wallace. Should you choose to further publish the email and/or the **attachments** referred to in the email, then we will take all necessary steps to ensure your actions are restrained and pursue all available legal remedies, including but not limited to injunctive relief, bringing a defamation claim against you and seeking damages and costs from you.

Yours sincerely
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